
Section 2 How we change for 2007

Do not rely on these change descriptions; this Section is not an official statement of benefits. For that, go to Section 5 Benefits. Also, we edited and clarified language throughout the brochure; any language change not shown here is a clarification that does not change benefits.

Changes to this Plan

- Your share of the non-Postal premium will increase by 25.5% for Self-Only or 27.4% for Self and Family in 2007 for the (7M) Southwest Missouri Region.
- Your share of the non-Postal premium will decrease by 4.7% for Self-Only or 3.3% for Self and Family in 2007 for the (HM) Texas Region.
- In the Texas Region, you are no longer required to select a primary care physician (PCP), however we encourage you to select one. In addition, in the Texas Region, you may self-refer to a specialist in our network. A Mercy Health Plans' generated referral number is not required to access specialty care in the Texas Region. See Section 3 for details.
- We have clarified the Prescription Drug benefits in Section 5 (f) by including information about specialty drugs, prior-authorization, special circumstances, and step therapy.
- Under the exclusions of the Prescription drug benefit, we have clarified that we do not cover medical foods (special dietary products and formulas), taken either orally or enterally, except for phenylketonuria and any disorders of amino acid metabolism. Please see Section 5 (f) for details and also Section 10 for a definition of medical foods.
- Under the exclusions of the Prescription drug benefit, we have clarified that we do not cover replacement medications, except for those that are lost, damaged, stolen, or otherwise destroyed through no fault of your own. See Section 5(f).
- We have clarified the genetic counseling exclusion under Family Planning in Section 5 (a).
- We have clarified the Organ/Tissue transplant benefit. See Section 5 (b) for details.